..Development of a nuclear device by Pakistan .. ..

@1073. SHRI NAND KISHORE BHATT:
SHRI B. SATYANARAYAN REDDY:
SHRI BHIM RAJ:

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware that Pakistan is working on a nuclear device with Chinese assistance thereby posing a threat to the security of India; and

(b) if so, what precautionary measures Government are taking to meet the situation?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI A. A. RAHIM): (a) and (b) In the context of Pakistan's nuclear programme having a non-peaceful dimension, Government have taken note of reports to this effect along with statements by senior US officials and experts concerning possible Chinese collaboration in Pakistan's effort to develop nuclear weapons.

Government are keeping a close watch on all developments having a bearing on India's security.

Historical atlases published by China..

@@1074. SHRI MUKHTIAR SINGH MALIK: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to the news item appearing in the Indian Express of the 30th June, 1984 to the effect that China has published a series of historical atlases in its text books showing many areas belonging to the neighbouring countries as the territory of China and in its first two volumes, apart from Ladakh and Aksai Chin parts of Himachal Pradesh, Eastern Nepal and the whole of Sikkim, Darjeeling, Bhutan and, Arunachal Pradesh have also been shown as parts of Mongolia and large parts of present day Soviet Union, Northern Burma and Northern Vietnam as parts of China; and

(b) if so, what is Government's reaction in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI A. A. RAHIM): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The Chinese atlases in question form part of a series of eight volumes. They are supposed to indicate the territorial extent of China in different periods of history. The correctness or otherwise of these historical studies can form a subject of academic disputation and counter studies from the countries concerned. It is somewhat intriguing that the Chinese authorities should have sponsored such publications at the present juncture.

So far as India is concerned we have refuted their current claims in great detail during the 1960 talks and subsequently, and the Chinese are well aware of our position in this matter.

Broadcast on B.B.C. by Dr. Jagjit Singh Chauhan ..

@@@1075. SHRI MUKHTIAR SINGH MALIK:
SHRI F. M. KHAN:
SHRI SURESH KALMADI:
SHRI S. W. DHABE:
SHRI KISHORE MEHTA:
SHRI SURAJ PRASAD:

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that during the month of June, 1984 B.B.C. allowed Dr. Jagjit Singh Chauhan and other self-styled Khalistan leaders to broadcast anti-India speeches wherein they threatened to kill the Prime Minister and also incited terrorism in India;

(b) if so, what is the reaction of the Government of India thereto; and

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@Previously Unstarred Questions 596, transferred from the 27th July, 1984.